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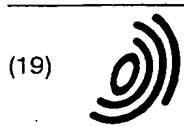
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(54) Location system for mobile telephones

(57) A mobile telephone equipment comprising a plurality of stationary transmitter/receiver stations which are distributed over a predetermined area, each of said transmitter/receiver stations covering a predetermined area portion of said area and continuously or intermittently sending a transmitter/receiver station identification signal within the respective area portion, and at least one mobile telephone adapted to receive one or more transmitter/receiver station identification signals from one or more of said transmitter/receiver stations, characterized in that said mobile telephone comprises a converter utilizing signal measurements for converting and calculating said one or more transmitter/receiver station identification signals and signal measurements into geographical area portion information which can be displayed on the mobile telephone or otherwise used by an user of the mobile telephone.

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Description

3.0 Foreword on this New Featur

- 5 [0001] It is the start of something new and big! Now another new era in the use of mobile equipment starts. Mobile telephone with this feature shall have more power and be a lot more in use. Marketing shall further boom!
- [0002] It shall be possible to utilise the location info of the mobile for various purposes. Not only is it possible for the mobile owner, quickly inform any other her/his location, but also ask the various system resources, including the mobiles own resources, for guidance of various nature!
- 10 [0003] For example the mobile owner shall be informed of the hotels, banks, cinemas, theatres, night clubs, shops, museums around her/him, upon request.
- [0004] For example the mobile owner shall be able to drive around the world, without maps, guide books.
- [0005] For example the mobile owner shall inform her/his friends, partners, manager where she/he is heading, with only a touch of a couple of keys and with very little cost.
- 15 [0006] In private or at work, the mobile owners shall not do without these features described by this licensee.
- [0007] Business people shall be able to advertise on mobiles. It shall be easier for them to reach to public.
- [0008] As it shall be seen within later chapters, this licensee document offers not only one very important feature. It offers 5 very important new features.

20 4.0 Feature Description and Use

[0009]

Figure 1 displays the features in a graphical form.

25 4.1 As geographical location informer

[0010]

- 30 a) Fast location information of transporters, lorries, trucks
 b) Fast location information of people in need, i.e. emergency help situations
 c) Fast location information of travellers to others

[0011] An additional/optional information byte can be added to the location info. This optional additional byte shall send further data from the location, with fast key selection options. The use of this extra byte shall be for example as to give info on the traffic state as free, slow running or traffic jam, in the case of location info from transporters. Or this additional info shall give emergency level indication in case of emergency calls.

[0012] The sending of the location info data (+ additional info) shall be done via Mobile SMS.

[0013] Five possible sources of the location info is available to the mobile owner.

- 40 (i) Bought plug_in location info module (local, nation-wide, world-wide info depending on the availability and memory capacity)
 (ii) Reception of the location info from the system via System Info(BSS). Free use. No telephone calls is necessary.
 (iii) Reception of the location info from the system via info downloads as part of location update procedures. Free use. No telephone calls is necessary.
 45 (iv) Reception of the location info from the system via SMS CB. Free use. No telephone calls is necessary.
 (v) Reception of the location info from an info centre (internet or PLMN centre) via call connect.

[0014] For all the possibilities, the only cost is for SMS sending of the location string to another party. SMS cost is reasonably small.

4.2 As personal city guide

55 [0015] Categorised information of hotels, banks, cinemas, theatres, night clubs, shops, museums shall be displayed by the mobile immediately and as per request. The display is based on present location of the mobile and only the data within the immediate vicinity of the mobile owner are given. i.e. the mobile owner is able to know what is around her/him at a reachable distance.

[0016] Five possible sources of this information is available to the mobile owner.

(I) Bought plug_in city guide info module (local, nation-wide, world-wide info depending on the availability and memory capacity).

(ii) Reception of the location info from the system via info downloads as part of location update procedures. Free use. No telephone calls is necessary.

(iii) Reception of the city guide from the system via SMS CB. Free use. No telephone calls is necessary. Download is made to a plug_in memory module. SMS CB is not something new. However, selective filtering by BSS is offered by this licensee. i.e. not a lot of unsorted SMS broadcast, but instead only filtered data. Filtering SW at BSS separates the SMS broadcast data depending on cell locations and then transmit them separately to different locations.

(iv) Reception of the location info from an info centre (internet or PLMN centre) via call connect. The download of city guide however can be done only once. The local memory of the equipment shall store the data for future use.

(v) Similar to (iv), except only the requested information is transferred by the info site upon request and not the complete download.

4.3 As path finder

[0017] In case the mobile owner is searching for an address (location, street etc.), the mobile equipment itself shall give directions depending on the present location of the mobile equipment. If the distance is grosser than a walking distance, then main road directions shall be listed. If the searched address is within the walking distance, then the mobile equipment shall warn, when the mobile owner goes in the wrong direction.

[0018] Five possible sources of the location is available to the mobile owner.

(I) Bought plug_in location mapping (street matrix tables) info module (local, nationwide, world-wide info depending on the availability and memory capacity) and related advance programs.

(ii) Reception of the location mapping info from the system via info downloads as part of location update procedures. Free use. No telephone calls is necessary. Mobile local advance location processing programming is needed.

(iii) Reception of the city guide from the system via SMS CB. Free use. No telephone calls is necessary. Download is made to a plug_in memory module.

(iv) Reception of the location mapping info from an info centre (internet or PLMN centre) via call connect. The download of city guide however can be done only once. The local memory of the equipment shall store the data for future use.

(v) Similar to (iv), except only the requested information is transferred by the info site upon request and not the complete download.

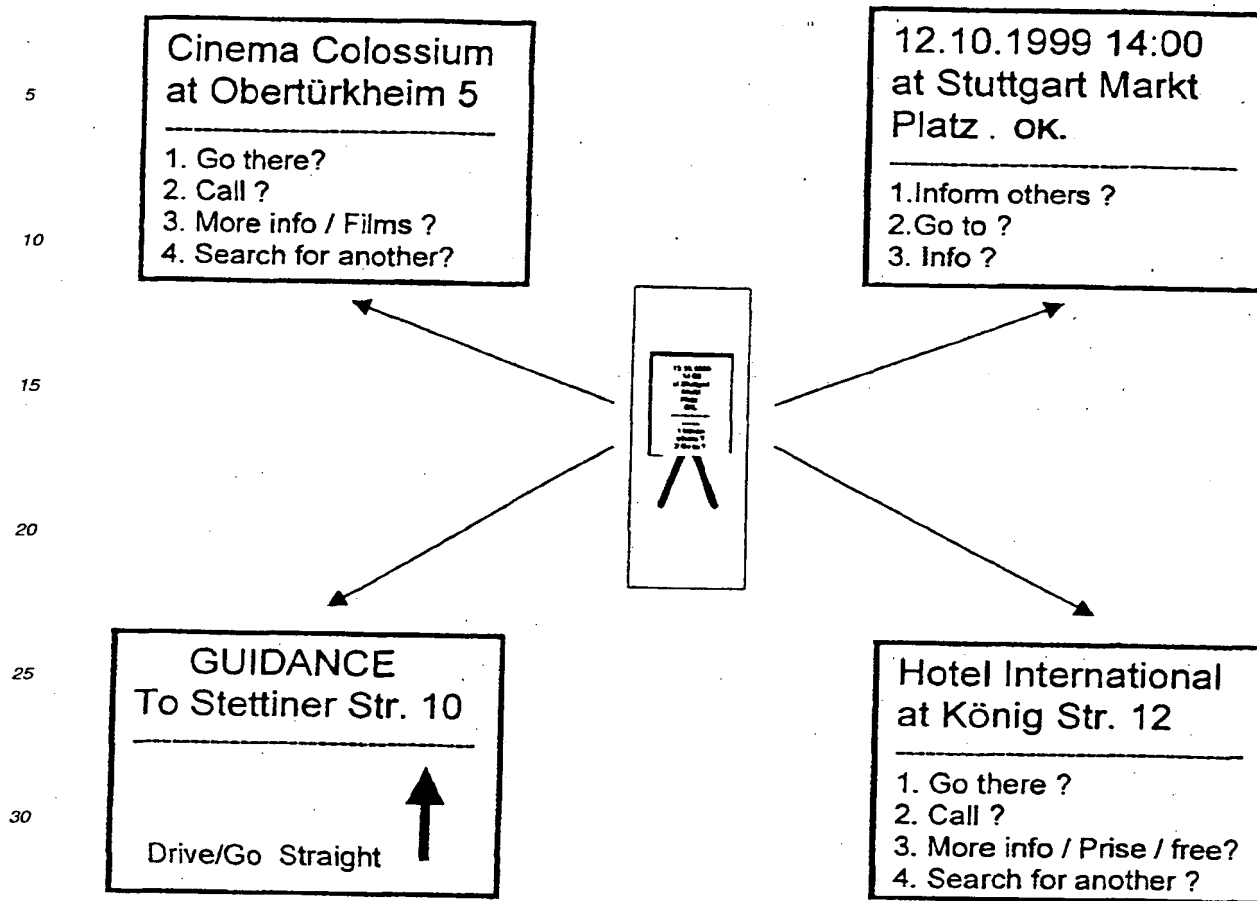


Figure 1. Features Offered By the Licensee.

4.4 As auto direction guide

[0019] In case the mobile owner is searching for an address (location, street etc.), the mobile equipment itself shall give directions depending on the present location of the mobile equipment. Directions are based on motorways and other traffic roads. For the directions, the priority are given to main roads.

[0020] Three possible sources of the long/short distance guidance is available to the mobile owner.

(i) Bought plug_in area mapping (street matrix tables) info module (local, nationwide, world-wide info depending on the availability and memory capacity) and related advance programs.

(ii) Reception of the location mapping info from an info centre (internet or PLMN centre) via call connect. The download of city guide however can be done only once. The local memory of the equipment shall store the data for future use.

(iii) Similar to (ii), except only the requested information is transferred by the info site upon request and not the complete download.

5.0 General Principles

[0021] Mobile Equipment's position is always tracked down by the Mobile's GSM system via equipment's Location Update Requests, using Location Area Identification. Mobile's Location Area Identification info is kept within HLR.

[0022] The position of the mobile equipment, i.e. LAI, is not only saved within HLR and eventually VLR, but also detected and saved within the mobile equipment itself within the SIM card.

[0023] LAI alone is not good enough to localise a mobile equipment. With LAI+other info (refer to 8.0) however, it is possible to determine a mobile in short ranges. This shall in future further improve. Because mobile equipment is a sophisticated self measuring equipment, given enough parameters and location algorithms, it shall be easily possible for it to estimate the exact geographical position.

6.0 Privacy Acts and Safety of Personal Info

[0024] A third party person should not be able to directly access this information in HLR to know where a certain mobile is, due to "privacy acts and security of personal data acts", without prior knowledge and information of the particular mobile owner.

[0025] However, these privacy acts and security of personal data acts do NOT apply anymore, when the person himself passes this information to another person at any point of time and place.

7.0 Implementation Strategies

[0026] There are two alternative implementation strategies of the feature, where "alternative b" has the global solution.

a) Mobile equipment translates the received LAI + other info itself to a string of characters relevant to the geographical location and makes it available as an SMS message and be sent with fast key combinations. See Appendix A for the details of the MS received, measured, evaluated information fields. The guiding information is also evaluated in relation to the present location, ms and displayed via internal programs.

b) The location strings corresponding to the related LAIs are kept locally by the BSC's and other related info by the BTS's, so that there is no need anymore to store the whole "LAI+other info" vs. location string tables within the mobile equipment. This phase requires a global update of the radio link, air interface and GSM L3 specifications for Mobility Management. It enables however a world-wide use of the feature without any restriction. Normally BTSs need to have simply a new data base parameter as for TRX antenna locations string. This location info shall be broadcasted from BCCH channels, indicating the exact location of the antennas for each cell. Such that upon camping on the cell, the mobile equipment shall read the location string from the broadcast channel's system info. Mobile equipment needs further to do measurements on the other cells as usual and depending on different signal strength levels determine the exact location. Mobile optionally can give this location info back to the system with an extra parameter indicating the type of request, upon which the related data can be given to the mobile as SMS messages or via a short connection. Depending on the location updates made by the mobile at a given time period and the direction request for example, it shall be possible by the system (or by the mobiles own memory chip) to determine the best possible route for the travelling mobile owner. Info download can also take place as part of the location update procedures, immediately following a successful location update and before the dedicated channel get released.

[0027] As seen from the descriptions, it shall be advisable to combine both alternatives (a) and (b) into a more powerful access into the futures. I.e. plug_in modules, plug_in memories and use of broadcasted system info from PLMN, use of broadcasted SMS info from PLMN, use of location update procedures for download, use of special purpose calculation sites (possibly internet or other new dedicated centres, such as personal traffic guidance systems) shall be combined. See 12.0 for conclusions.

[0028] Some of the information given here is only repeated GSM info, to give a better picture of the features, offered by the licensee.

8.0 LAI + Other Information

[0029] Location Area Identifier is defined in GSM 04.08 10.5.1.3 as 1 octet of Location area code 2 octets (3 digits) of Mobile Country Code, 1 octet (2 digits) of Mobile Network Code and 2 octets of Location Area Code, i.e. overall 6 octets.

[0030] "Coding of the LAI is the responsibility of each administration. Coding using full hexadecimal representation

may be used."

[0031] Several other information fields are available at the mobile-equipment and also at the BSS.

- Cell identification (CEI)
- Timing Advance (TA) value
- Neighbouring Cell Measurement Values
- Previous Location Updates in a given time period

[0032] All this info, i.e. LAI + other information, combined into a translation table makes it possible to translate the location of the mobile equipment to a smaller, exact geographical area and can be utilised extensively by the mobile equipment owner herself/himself.

[0033] LAC values can contain several cells or individual cells, depending on the administration. It is usual to have several cells defined by the same LAC value within high density occupancy areas.

[0034] Therefore, it shall be necessary to combine the LAC value with the cell identification information to reduce the location to a smaller location area circle.

[0035] The use of TA value however reduces the circle into a distance of multiples of 550 metre away from TRX antenna. TA ranges from 0:63. So a value of 2 indicates the mobile to be in a disc range of 1100 metre to 1650 metre around the TRX antenna.

[0036] The exact slide of this disc can be determined via measurements of the neighbouring cells. MS makes quality measurements of the neighbouring cells and send it as a list to BSS during the location updating procedures. See 4.3 for more details. MS is normally closer to the neighbouring cells location with the second best reception quality to the one it is presently using for location updating procedures.

[0037] MS can keep tract of the last location updates and their time stamps. If the mobile equipment is not switched off, this location update history shall give routing info, either as personal guidance in city or during a long distance travel.

9.0 Mobile Equipment's Location Translations

[0038] This part applies for the "initial implementation A".

[0039] Since LAI values are reserved and allocated per administration base, their corresponding geographical locations are also the responsibility of administrators. The administrators maintain a list of LACs against geographical locations where they have installed TRX antennas.

[0040] Such a "LAI+other info vs. location string" is to be obtained and updated with each update of the network plan and distributed to mobile equipment. Due to possibly many updates, it shall be difficult to maintain a one time load of these tables into the mobile equipment's. Besides, it shall be at first difficult to maintain a wide area i.e. country wide, eu wide, world wide etc.. Therefore, it shall be best to have optional additional slide_in (plug_in) cards (similar to sim cards), which can be distributed and updated via the administrator (mobile provider/operator).

[0041] Such plug_in cards are needed also to keep other types of info, such as city guide info and road maps.

[0042] See Appendix B, for a simple example of determination of the exact location.

10.0 BSS Standards Solution to Location Informer

[0043] There are three possible sources to make the features global. All these alternatives require none or very little change to the standards, except changes to procedures and implementations.

10.1 Cell Name String via System Info Broadcasts

[0044] BSS (BSC and BTS) need to broadcast on each arfcn (i.e. per cell) the cell antenna location on BCCH System Info message. For this either a new System Info, for example System Info type 10, needs to be defined or System Information Type 7 or 8 can be re-used for this purpose.

[0045] Following structure is proposed but could be adapted depending on the decision of the related standards institutes.

IEI	Information Element	Typ / Reference	Presence	Format	Length
	L2 Pseudo Length	L2 Pseudo Length	M	V	1
	RR management Protocol Discriminator	Protocol Discriminator	M	V	1/2
	Skip Indicator	Skip Indicator	M	V	1/2
	System Information Type (10?) Message Type	Message Type	M	V	1
	Cell Name String	ASCII Name String	M	V	20

Figure 2 TRX Location Info Broadcast System Info (10) Message

[0046] So it shall be possible for the mobile to copy the CNS "cell name string" information from the serving cell and the neighbouring cells and give qualitative information by referencing them. For a simple display, it shall give the name of the serving cell and then the names of one or more (possibly up to 3) of the nearest neighbouring cells, in order. The ordering of the cells are based on received signal strengths from the cells.

[0047] Mobile equipment does not need to do location update procedures, if it moves from one cell to another of the same LAI. However, if it starts location update procedures, a connection to the BSS and NSS is made.

10.2 Cell Name String via Location Update Requests

[0048] In case of location updates, it shall be possible for BSS (and/or NSS) to download cell name strings to MS for one LAI, as part of the location update procedures.

[0049] The information shall be supplied by a PLMN dedicated info centres or by interconnected dedicated special internet sites, to the location update procedures.

[0050] In case of location updates, it shall be possible for BSS (and/or NSS) to download info pages such as city guide, location maps to MS for one LAI, as part of the location update procedures.

[0051] Depending on the update history vs. time stamps, it shall be possible for BSS (and/or NSS) to determine if the mobile owner is travelling by car or on foot. This info can also be determined by the type of cell being camped on, i.e. large cell, small cell or micro cell (see Appendix C).

[0052] If the mobile equipment is travelling longer distances, then BSS (and/or NSS)

11.0 Mobile Equipment's User Interfaces

[0053] Mobile equipment itself shall have updated user interface menu to enter / change one telephone number for SMS location info sent. The mobile equipment's SW update shall access the LAIs vs. location string table and shall output the location string as SMS, if translation is possible. If translation is not possible, it shall NOT send any SMS message, but instead shall display a warning both via display and/or via warning sound.

12.0 Conclusions

[0054] Mobile equipment's HW and SW needs to be updated.

[0055] There is very little change (if any) on the GSM standards, except the procedures and implementation strategies and global agreements are impacted.

[0056] There is complete new marketing aspects for various different industries.

12.1 MS HW Updates

[0057] Mobile telephone equipment HW needs to be updated with two optional removable slide_in (plug_in) chip modules.

(i) Combination of separate info modules, such as :

(a) Geographical area / location lists against LAI + other info (own and neighbouring cell signal measurements,

TA value, list of previous camped on cell list with date/time stamps, previous location update list with date/time stamps).

(b) List of area dependant info, such as Hotels, Banks, Theatres, Cinemas, Night Clubs, Shops, Travel Agencies....

(ii) Memory module. Since the mobile equipment using the features listed here shall need download of updated info on geographical locations, local info, area dependent info, it shall be possible for the mobile to upgrade its mobile capabilities optionally and as needed.

[0058] Additionally Monitor and keyboard connectivity. Until now for internet connections an interface to notebooks is considered to be the only choice. However, with this licensee, it is offered to the mobile equipment producers to improve their HW interface for a simple LCD monitor. Such portable monitors can then be attached via cable or cable less extensions to the drive_board of the vehicles for info handling and can also be used by others as remote/large display panels for easy use of data. Similarly a keyboard interface shall ease the SMS data input and internet selection inputs from the mobile user owner.

12.2 MS SW Updates

[0059] Mobile telephone equipment SW needs to be updated as in following:

(i) User menu update, to allow location info SMS sending with short key or keys combination, to a user predefined telephone number or group of numbers.

(ii) A program which accesses the location data tables with the mobile cell / channel measurements and other available info and outputs a string (for example "Loc=Stuttgart Zuffenhausen Unterlander Str. Ludwigsburger Str.") ready for SMS sending to predefined numbers.

(iii) A program which makes it possible to do fast access and download of certain internet or PLMN info site mobile tables into the MS memory area. Data is kept in the memory areas even at MS power_off, until new replacing data is downloaded.

(iv) A program which makes it possible to store received SMS data tables in a categorised order into MS memory area and keep the data (even at switch off) until next update.

(v) A program which outputs direction guiding messages based on location info and received requested location. This program should accept inputs as streets, area names or info cites such as hotels, banks, public service areas, cinemas, shops etc...

12.3 Marketing Aspects of The Features By the Licensee

[0060] Following marketing aspects can be considered:

- * Mobile telephone equipment with the features supplied by this licensee shall be sold a lot more than the others.
- * A new market shall establish supplying different plug_in info modules and plug_in memory modules.
- * A new market shall establish collecting advertisement from various business to insert them into the plug_in modules or into SMS broadcast centre or into (internet or PLMN info site) guidance centre.
- * A new market shall establish producing attachable LCD/TFT small monitors. This monitors can be build separately for autos for example and via remote or cable connections be attached to mobile telephones.

12.4 Overall Features Offered By the Licensee

[0061]

* General concepts of the features

- a) Location informer
- b) Personal city guide
- c) Path finder
- d) Auto direction guide
- e) Monitor (+keyboard) connectivity to mobiles

* Technical implementation concepts of the features

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- a) Mobile Equipment implementing the whole or part of the features using plug_in info modules.
- b) Mobile Equipment implementing the whole or part of the features using plug_in memory modules to download the info from different sources.
- c) Mobile Equipment as location finder using broadcast info (for example system info messages) via radio broadcast channel (BCCH).
- d) Mobile Equipment implementing the whole or part of the features using filtered SMS broadcast info.
- e) Mobile Equipment implementing the whole or part of the features using location update features as for downloading the related info.
- f) Mobile Equipment implementing the whole or part of the features using internet or PLMN dedicated info and info processing sites.

APPENDIX A FUNCTIONAL SCENARIOS

Some of the related GSM info is summarised here with additions related to the features.

A.1 Cell Selection

Following is a short description of cell selection function, as defined in GSM 05.08 6.2 and 6.3.

Whenever MS power is switched on, it starts measurements on RF channels.

Either

- * Normal cell selection, and/or
- * A stored list cell selection

can be used to start measurements.

For Normal cell selection, depending on the operating mode of the mobile, all the related frequencies (RF channels) are measured for signal strength. MS shall try to identify any of these frequencies, with a strong signal strength, as BCCH, by searching for frequency correction bursts for example.

RF channels:

- * 124 frequencies for P-GSM (GSM900)
- * 174 frequencies for E-GSM (extended GSM900)
- * 374 frequencies for DCS1800

The BCCH with the strongest signal strength is taken to be the BCCH of the serving cell and others (up to an implementation dependent number of cells, 10 for example) are taken as neighbouring cells.

For stored list cell selection, MS stores the latest list of serving cell BCCH and neighbouring cell BCCHs. This list is kept when MS power is switched off. When switched on, MS tries to synchronise with the BCCH's in the list, instead of the whole RF range. This is to achieve faster camp_on_cell. Upon selecting the strongest BCCH as serving cell, it measures further other (maybe new) cells, as received from present serving BCCCH broadcasted system info and then can change the serving cell to another if needed.

Upon first selection of the serving cell based on the signal strength, MS decodes the serving cell continuously broadcasted BCCH system info 1,2,2bis,2ter,3,4 messages, to have info on other control channels and neighbouring channels.

A.2 BCCH System Info

Following is a short info table on different system info messages. For more details refer to GSM 04.08 9.1.31..36.

System Info Type	Length (octets)	Related Info
1	23	Cell Channel Description RACH Control Parameters SI 1 Rest Octets
2 (2bis,2ter)	23	Neighbour Cell Description (BCCH Frequency List) NCC permitted RACCH Control Parameters (SI 2bis/2ter Rest Octets)
3	23	Cell Identity Location Area Identification Control Channel Description Cell Options Cell Selection Parameters RACH Control Parameters SI 3 Rest Octets
4	23	Location Area Identification Cell Selection Parameters RACH Control Parameters CBCH Channel Description CBCH Mobile Allocation SI 4 Rest Octets
7	23	SI 7 Rest Octets / Cell (TRX) Name String
8	23	SI 8 Rest Octets / Cell (TRX) Name String
10	23	Cell (TRX) Name String

Figure 3. System Info Messages

The related info fields contain the following info:

Info Element	Info	Length
Cell Channel Description	Frequency list info / bitmap for 124 ARFCN Frequency values for 16..28 channels.	16
RACCH Control Params	Max. number of retrans = 1,2,4,7	3

	Nb of tx slots = 3:50 Cell barred flag Call re-establishment allowed flag Emergency call allowed flag Access Control barred flags for Access Code=1..15.	
Neighbour Cell Description	BCCH Frequency list info	16
NCC permitted	For N=1..8 Network Colour Codes, bit map info for monitoring permission.	1
Cell Identity	2 possibly hex octets. Coding by administration.	2
Location Area Identification	3 nibbles of Mobile Country Code 2 octets of Mobile Network Code 2 octets of Location Area Code	5
Control Channel Description	IMSI Attach/detach procedures allowed Nb. Blocks reserved for Access Grant CCCH_CONF as configuration of CCCH+SDCCH + nbr basic physical channels	3
Cell Options	PWRC (power control indicator set) Uplink DTX (discontinuous transmission) applicable RADIO-LINK-TIMEOUT 4..64	1
Cell Selection Parameters	CELL-RESELECT-HYSTERESIS 0..14 dB RXLEV hysteresis for LA re-selection MS-TXPWR-MAX-CCH max TX power MS can use when accessing on a Control CH. RXLEV-ACCESS-Min minimum received signal level that allows MS to access the system. 0..63 ACS Additional Reselect Parameter Ind. NECI New establishment causes supported	2
CBCH Channel Description	Channel Type and TDMA Offset (TCH/F, ACCH, TCH/H, SDCCH/4, SDCCH/8, SACCH/C4, SACCH/C8, CBCH)	4

	TN Timeslot Number 0..7 TSC Training Sequence Code H, Hopping Channel Flag ARFCN Absolute Radio Frequency Channel number if H=0 MAIO Mobile Allocation Index Offset +HSN Hopping Sequence Number if H=1	
CBCH Mobile Allocation	Mobile Allocation Frequency List within the Cell	3-6
Rest Octets	Spare octets	1..10
Cell Name String (CNS)	ASCII Name String (1..20 characters)	1..20

Figure 4. Air Interface Messages related Info elements

A.3 Location Updating Procedures

MS starts the location updating procedures after determining the serving cell and encoding the BCCH system info messages.

MS sends its own identity information + received location area information + serving cell and cell measurements to the system.

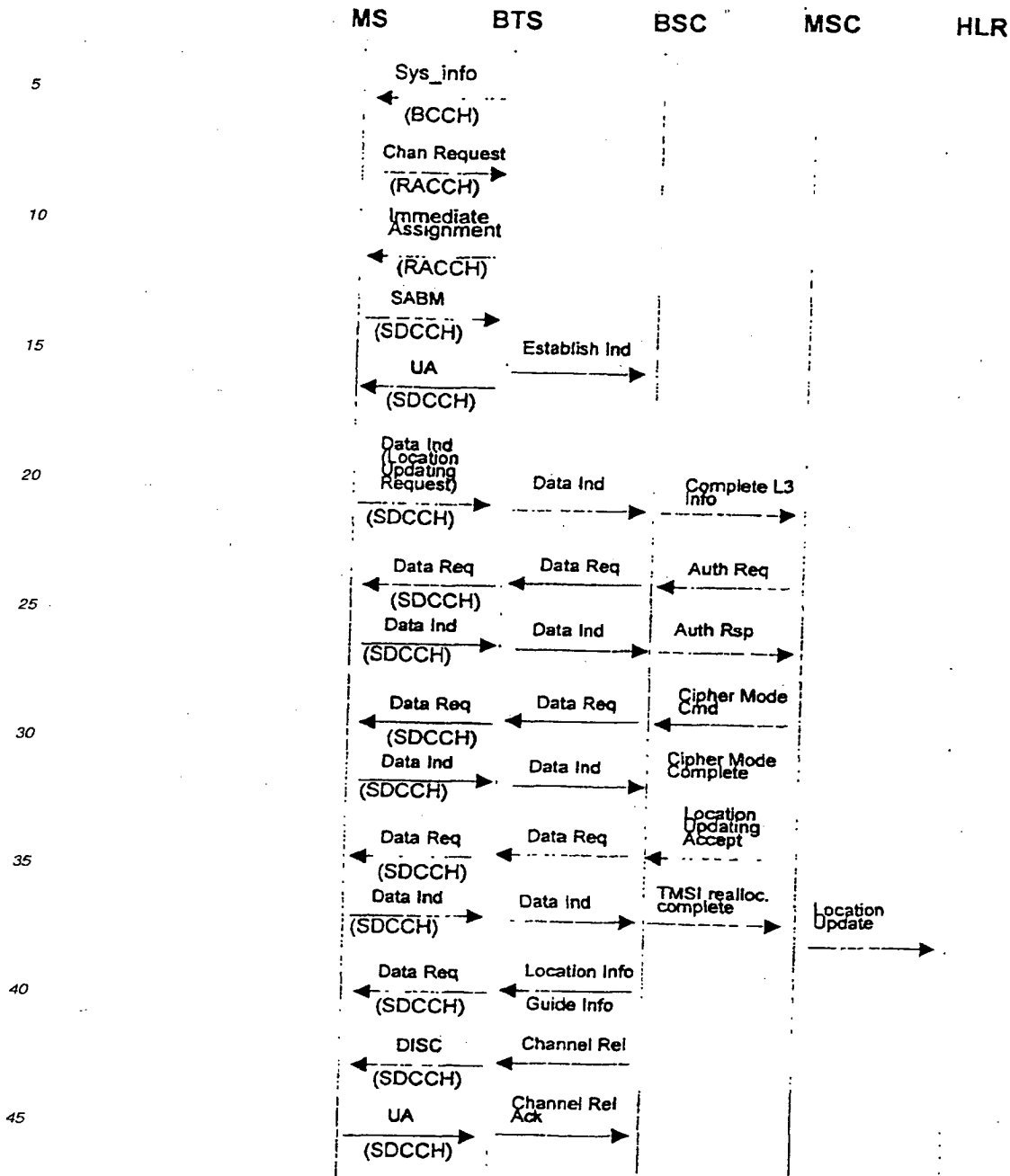


Figure 5. Location Update Procedure Scenario

APPENDIX B DETERMINATION OF EXACT LOCATION

Figure 2 displays serving cell (cell 01) and neighbouring cell layouts in a simple cell structure of PLMN.

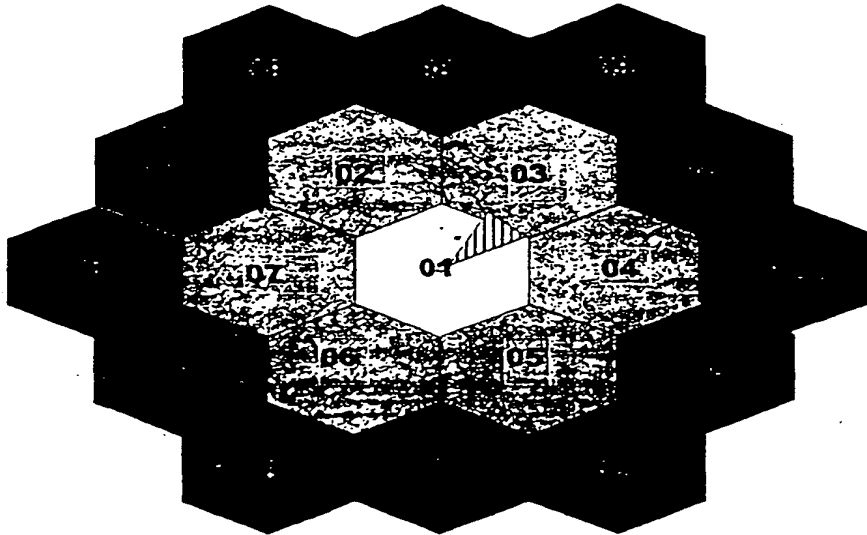


Figure 6 . Serving Cell and Neighbouring Cells

For the determination of the exact mobile location, neighbouring cells are sorted from strongest received signal level down. Then the location matrix tables are referred. The location matrix tables are available at MS either within the plug_in info module or within the plug_in memory module as downloaded.

Following table (figure 3) check example is given to display a simple case where three matrix tables are checked. The preparation and the coupling of the tables is very important in finding the correct location of the MS. The number of cross reference tables referred shall increase the accuracy of the MS location into smaller circles. In the given example mobile owner is at street 12. If the results appear to be more street / or location names then all need to be displayed at MS.

Second Cell	02	03	04	05	06	07
First Cell (Serving Cell)						
01	Str.1, Str.2, Str.3, Str.4, Str.5, Str.6	Str.7, Str.8, Str.9, Str.10, Str.11, Str.12	Str....	Str....	Str....	Str....

Third Cell	02	04	...			
Second Cell (first cell=01)						
03	Str.7, Str.8 Str. 9	Str.10, Str.11 Str. 12			

Fourth Cell	09	10	11		
Third Cell (first=01, second=03)						
04	Str.10	Str.11	Str.12		

Figure 7. Tables showing an example of how to find the exact location

APPENDIX C SMSCB SCENARIO

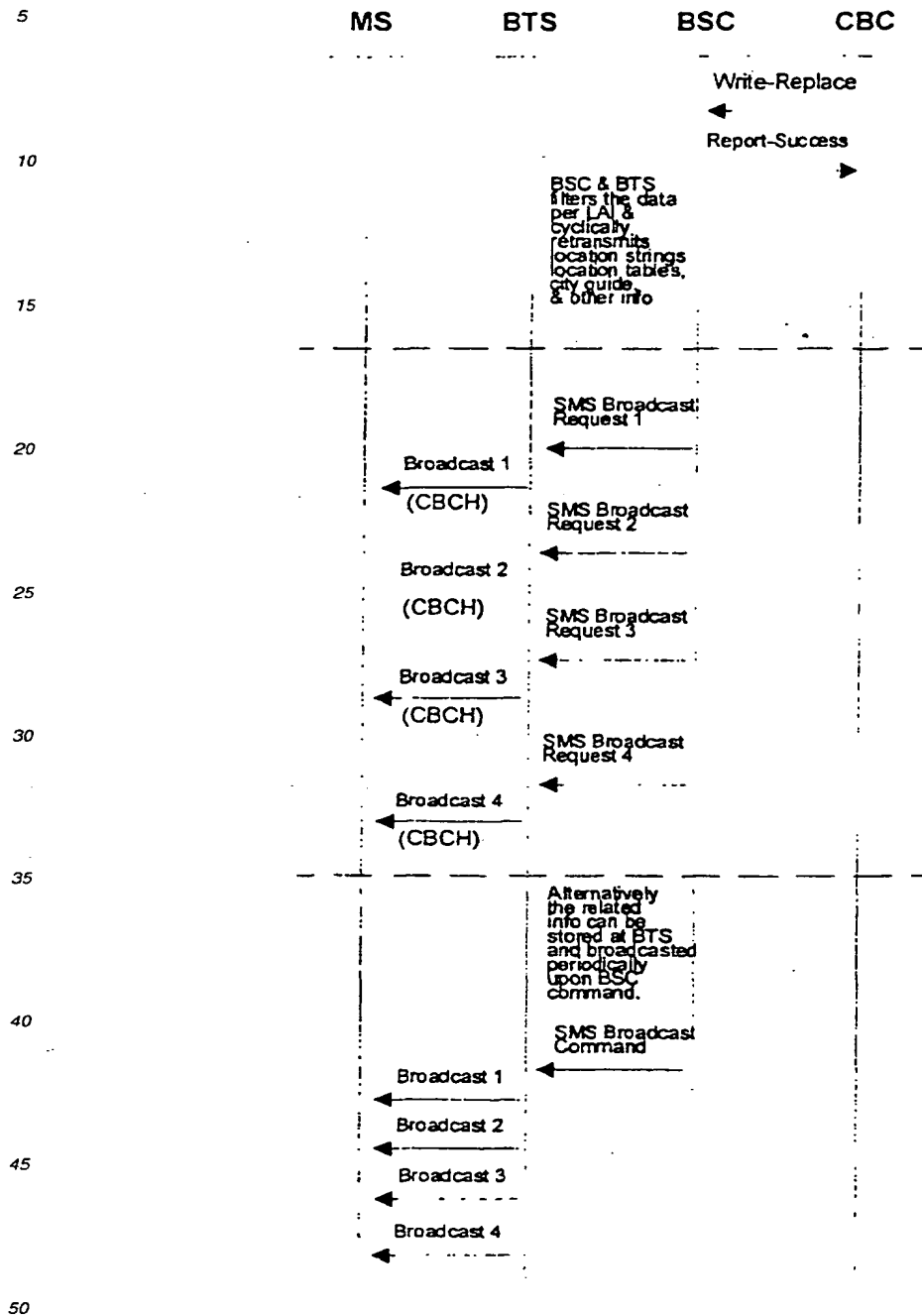


Figure 8. SMSCB to distribute / download location related info

APPENDIX D DIFFERENT CELLS

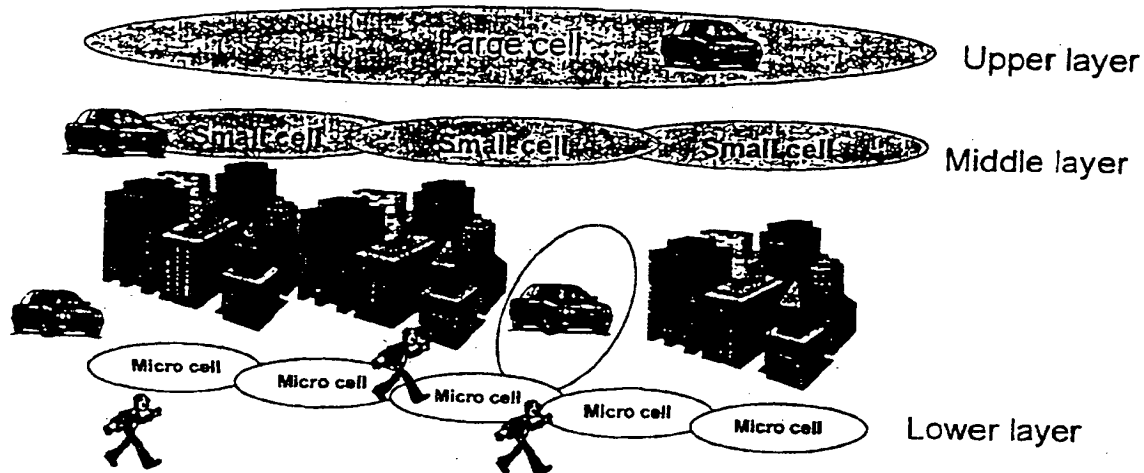


Figure 9. Different Cell Types

Figure 9 illustrates the different cell types that can be found in highly dense areas, for example in cities. Mobile Equipment in fast moving vehicles, specially vehicles on autobahn, selects (camps on) large cells, to avoid frequent location update procedures. However, mobile continues to measure all the other cells too. Hence, measurement information of the small cells and the micro cells can still be utilised by the mobile equipment itself.

APPENDIX E MOBILE TELEPHONE NEW ACCESSORIES

Figure 10 illustrates the HW possibilities offered to mobile equipments, such that separate monitors and keyboards can be connected for easy use.

However, if an alternative mobile approach is used, in that one side of the mobile is complete monitor the other side is for acu and keyboard, then it shall be possible to use the monitor side as full screen for the features offered here. It shall be possible to clap the monitor to the side such that both the keys and the monitor are on the same side. No figure is supplied for such a robust and useful mobile.

A separate monitor unit however can be fixed on Autos or can even be carried in a clapped form separately and be employed whenever is needed. The same method, i.e. clapped keyboard set can also be carried separately.

This licensee rights of this separate, clapped mobile equipment attachable monitors and keyboards are kept within this licensee.

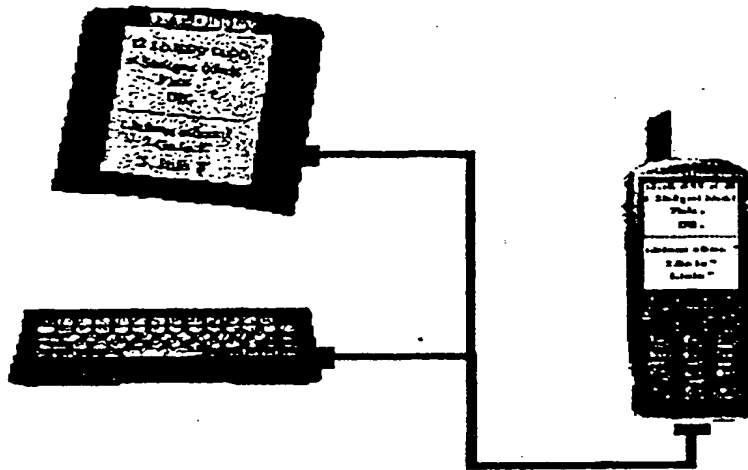


Figure 10. Attachment possibility of Monitor and Keyboards. In practice clapped form of keyboard and monitors are proposed for the personal usage. For auto guidance however, auto suitable and easily attachable/detachable forms must be considered.

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2.0 Related Abbreviations

[0063]

5	ARFCN	Absolute Radio Frequency Channel Number
	BCCH	Broadcast Control Channel
	BSS	Base Station Subsystem (BSC+BTS)
	BSC	Base Station Controller
	BTS	Base Transceiver Station
10	CC	Call Control
	CBC	Cell Broadcast Centre
	CBCH	Cell Broadcast Channel
	CCCH	Common Control Channel
	CNS	Cell Name String
15	GSM	Groupe Special Mobile
	HLR	Home Location Register
	IEI	Info Element Identifier
	LAC	Location Area Code
	LAI	Location Area Identification
20	MCC	Mobile Country Code
	MM	Mobility Management
	MNC	Mobile Network Code
	MS	Mobile Station (mobile equipment)
	NCC	Network Colour Code
25	NSS	Network Subsystem
	PLMN	Public Land Mobile Network
	SMSCB	Short Message Service Cell Broadcast
	SDCCH	stand-alone Dedicated Control Channel
	SMS	Short Message Service
30	RR	Radio Resources
	TA	Timing Advance
	TRX	Transceiver (Transmitter Receiver Antenna)
	VLR	Visiting Location Register

35 Claims

1. A mobile telephone equipment comprising

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- a plurality of stationary transmitter/receiver stations which are distributed over a predetermined area, each of said transmitter/receiver stations covering a predetermined area portion of said area and continuously or intermittently sending a transmitter/receiver station identification signal within the respective area portion, and
 - at least one mobile telephone adapted to receive one or more transmitter/receiver station identification signals from one or more of said transmitter/receiver stations,

45 characterized in that

said mobile telephone comprises a converter for converting said one or more transmitter/receiver station identification signals into area portion information which can be displayed on the mobile telephone or otherwise used by an user of the mobile telephone.

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2. The mobile telephone equipment of claim 1, characterized in that said area portion information is information on the actual geographic location of the mobile telephone.

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3. The mobile telephone equipment of claim 2, characterized in that the mobile telephone is movable to within specific area sub-portions of specific area portions, and is adapted to receive more than one transmitter/receiver station identification signal and to detect the field strength of each of said received transmitter/receiver station identification signals, and that the converter comprises an area sub-portion calculator for determining the specific area sub-portion where the mobile telephone is actually located on the basis of the detected field strengths.



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